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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 17TH, 1914.

THE assertion made by H.E. the GOVERNOR in a speech at St. Stephen's College on Wednesday that he could truthfully say that he did not know two Chinese who really trusted each other is startling, but general experience leads to such a statement a great deal of support. Nor is His Excellency alone in giving public utterance to this defect in the national character. Dr. ARTHUR SMITH in *Chinese Characteristics* has some very interesting observations on the subject. "While the Chinese," he says, "are gifted with a capacity for combination which at times seems to suggest the union of chemical atoms, it is easy to ascertain by careful inquiry, at the proper sources and at the proper times, that the Chinese do not by any means trust one another in the implicit way which the external phenomena might imply." Dr. SMITH gives two reasons why they do not trust one another: "First because they do not know one another, and second because they do." He points to the lofty walls which enclose all Chinese cities as the first manifestation which attracts the stranger's attention to the chronic suspicion prevailing in China. "The firm foundation on which rest all the many walls in China is the distrust which the Government entertains of the people." The lofty walls which enclose all premises in China, as in other Oriental cities and towns, are quoted as another exemplification of the same traits of suspicion; and, again, the almost

universal massing of the rural populations in villages, which are really miniature cities, is regarded by the author of *Chinese Characteristics*, as another illustration of mutual suspicion. And so he goes on to show how this trait is a marked characteristic even of domestic life. It is an "extraordinary" characteristic, as His Excellency said, but we fancy there must be many Chinese who would be inclined to disagree with the suggestion that mutual confidence among Chinese never exists. Certainly on the surface of things one might find something to confute such an idea in the realm of politics as well as in commerce. For example, would such a movement as the revolution of 1911 have been possible but for the existence of a very real and widespread spirit of mutual confidence among the leaders of the movement as well as among their supporters? Or, again, in the realm of commerce, how has it been possible, without mutual confidence, for Chinese traders to develop their remarkable system of guilds; and—what is still more pertinent to the question—how is it that the merchants have been able to gain so high a reputation for commercial integrity? "There is a solidarity in the bearing of Chinese merchants," says Mr. T. R. JERNIGAN in *China's Business Methods*, "that impresses their superiority over other Asiatic merchants, and causes less hesitation and circumspection in dealing with them; and this characteristic is worthy of remark to their credit when the system of the Chinese Government, in practical administration, tends to cultivate suspicion and distrust." But even though it be far too sweeping an assertion to say that no man in China really implicitly trusts another, there is abundant justification for regarding mutual distrust as a national characteristic. We all know how fatal this mutual suspicion has been to public progress in China. Suspicion of the motives of the Government has delayed the reforms which China needs, and may it not be said that mutual distrust and suspicion have been larger factors than any other in wrecking the new-born Constitution? A republican form of government is manifestly impossible while this lack of mutual confidence prevails. The authorities of public schools like St. Stephen's College do right to make the building up of character their chief aim, for mutual confidence is but a result of faith in the strict moral integrity of the individual. His Excellency's remark is manifestly true that the Chinese would carry more weight abroad and would manage their affairs in their own country far better if they would cultivate the power of working together with mutual trust and confidence. That spirit would be a tremendous asset to China, and moulders of Chinese public opinion would be rendering the State a great service by sedulously preaching the necessity for cultivating this as a new national characteristic in place of one which is fatal to sound progress and development.

General Lefevre, Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China, has just been promoted to the command in Paris of all Colonial troops. General Suellon succeeds him in Indo-China.

The Colonial Secretary's Office informs us that information was received from Saigon yesterday that the Government of Indo-China has declared Hongkong a plague-infected port.

At the annual meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Tennis League, Dr. Forsyth was elected President, Mr. A. O. Brown Vice-President and Mr. W. H. Vivash Secretary and Treasurer.

Twelve Chinese cases of small-pox (10 fatal) were reported in the Colony last week, only one being in the City of Victoria. On Wednesday a European sailor on the steamer *Solevoy* was removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from small-pox.

The *Empress of Asia* took away a very large number of passengers, the list including the names of Sir William and Lady Rees Davies, the Hon. Mr. A. M. Thomson, Mr. G. M. Young, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Graham, Mr. C. A. Tomes and Mr. A. H. Tomes. General Kelly and his Staff Officer, Major McHardy, and also Lieut.-Col. Radcliffe were passengers to Shanghai.

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On the following day, she again visited the place, and found that the bullock had been removed a distance of about 50 yards, and had there been completely devoured, with the exception of a few bones. The animal, which weighed 300 catties, was worth \$40.

We learn that a dog belonging to the same owner has also disappeared.

Two British residents who have inspected the remains of the bullock have no doubt that it is the work of the tiger.

THE PLAGUE.

A HEAVY WEEK.

The return for the week ended April 11th reached us yesterday. It shows a total of 139-70 cases occurring in the City of Victoria and 69 in districts other than the City of Victoria. All but one (a Filipino) were Chinese cases. The deaths during the week totalled 93.

The incidence of the plague was greatest at Yaumatei, where 45 cases were reported, with 26 deaths. Tsim-tsa-tsu remains free of plague and only one case was reported at Hung Hom.

In the City of Victoria, which is divided into ten health districts, the worst were districts No. 9 (between Eastern and Western streets) with 22 cases and 17 deaths; and No. 2 (from Garden Road to Wanchai) with 19 cases and 14 deaths.

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At the Marine Court yesterday, Commander Basil Taylor gave his decision in the case in which the master of the s.s. *Childae*, Capt. Neilsen, was charged with carrying more passengers than was allowed by his clearance certificate, and the China Steam Navigation Co., the charterers, for knowingly consenting to the same.

The Magistrate said that the evidence clearly proved that both defendants were guilty of the offence charged against them, but in different degrees. He considered the charterers were primarily to blame for the breach of the law on the part of the ship, in so much that they instructed the master to clear with only fifty passengers, and then proceeded to sell 235 passage tickets for the voyage, without informing the master that they had done so. The master was to blame in a lesser degree, in so much that he took no steps to discover how many passengers he had on board before sailing, nor did he cause the increase in numbers to be reported on the reopening of the Harbour Office on the Monday morning. He (the Magistrate) did not consider that either of the defendants wilfully offended. They would both be convicted: Capt. Neilsen would be fined \$10, and Yung Ling Kew, manager of the chartering company, \$200.

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M. Maas	103-20 83
C. N. M. Hamilton	101-16 85
F. W. Carey	95-9 86
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A. H. Crews	86-3 83
E. L. Arnold	83-10 84
R. Henderson	84-10 84
F. W. Carey	95-9 86
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When the fleet which has now been ordered to Tampico arrives, there will be eleven dreadnaughts, besides vessels of every branch of the Navy. The landing force will aggregate 15,000. The fleet actually at Tampico is sufficient for a mere demonstration.

The despatch of such an enormous force is interpreted as showing President Wilson's determination to intervene unless Huerta complies.

HUERTA'S RESOLVE TO UPHOLD MEXICAN SOVEREIGNTY.

Meanwhile President Huerta has sent a Note to the United States to the effect that he cannot see where the Federals have inflicted insult, and points out that the salute would be an admission. The United States was exercising an undue influence, and he added that Mexico is a free nation and that he (Huerta) will uphold the honour of the sovereignty at any cost.

It is learned that when Mr. O'Shaughnessy, the U. S. Charge d'Affaires, apprised President Huerta of the proposed naval demonstration, Huerta argued that the episode of the arrest of the orderly was a subject for arbitration by The Hague tribunal. President Wilson emphatically replied, through Mr. O'Shaughnessy, that the time for delay and evasion had passed and that the United States would temporise no longer.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT.

President Wilson summoned a number of Senators and Congressmen and explained the Mexico situation. He said that if Huerta did not comply the first step would be the seizure of Tampico and Vera Cruz.

The Government has issued an official statement enumerating not only the arrest of the Marines, but also the arrest of an orderly at Tampico when going for mails; the interception of the United States official despatches which had repeatedly occurred, and other offences against the rights and dignities of the United States. It also states that the United States had apparently been singled out for manifestations of Mexican ill-will and contempt, and expresses the hope that Mexico will see the propriety of giving satisfactory evidence of its desire to repudiate and correct this conduct.

THE U.S. FLEET ASSEMBLING.

NORFOLK (VIRGINIA), April 16th.

The battleships *Arkansas*, *Vermont*, *New Hampshire* and *New Jersey*, and the despatch-boat *Yankton* sailed this morning at full speed for Tampico, and the cruiser *Cleveland* has been ordered to proceed to Mazatlan immediately. The cruiser *Chattanooga* is expected to follow in a fortnight's time. The cruisers *Maryland* and *Cleveland* and the transport *Buffalo* have been ordered to prepare for immediate departure.

The Navy Department says that a demonstration off the Pacific coast has been ordered.

The torpedo flotilla of the Pacific Fleet is now at San Pedro and the *California* has been ordered to be in readiness.

PHILADELPHIA, April 16th.

The battleship *Michigan* has sailed for Mexico.

ANTI-AMERICAN FEELING.

Some anti-American demonstrations are reported from Vera Cruz and other points.

ENGLISH PRESS OPINIONS.

LONDON, April 16th.

The English papers dwell on the gravity of the Mexican situation, and speculate on the nature of American action and the possibility of complications with other Powers. While the idea of an advance on Mexico City is scouted, the papers are of the opinion that it will need all President Wilson's firmness and patience to avoid attempting to impose peace on Mexico by means of armed intervention.

TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

JAPAN'S NEW CABINET.

PROMISES TO REMOVE EVILS.

TOKYO, April 16th.

The Okuma Cabinet are inviting the co-operation of the patriotic Press, and says that a new era of constitutionalism has begun. It also promises to remove the evils of bureaucracy.

ROYAL VISIT TO FRANCE.

PREPARATIONS FOR THEIR MAJESTIES' SAFETY.

PARIS, April 16th.

Elaborate preparations are being made for the safety of Their Majesties King George and Queen Mary. The whole of the railway from Calais to Paris will be guarded by the police and military at intervals of a quarter of a mile, and soldiers will be stationed at all bridges and crossings.

MILITIA FIRE A VOLLEY AT A RACE MEETING.

TO STOP GAMBLING.

NEW YORK, April 16th.

It is reported from Tulsa, Oklahoma, that acting on orders issued by the Governor to prevent gambling on the race-course the State Militia fired a volley overhead, as the horses were coming down the straight, thus breaking up the race.

The Adjutant-General says that if another race is run the soldiers will shoot down the horses.

FLIGHT FROM PETERSBURG TO PEKING.

PARIS, April 16th.

The Ligue Nationale Aerienne has arranged with the Russian Aero Club for a flight from St. Petersburg to Peking, probably early in June.

THE GENERAL ELECTION RUMOURS.

LONDON, April 16th.

Mr. Asquith, in the House of Commons, announced that there was no truth in the rumours of a General Election in July.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S INDISPOSITION.

LONDON, April 16th.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Asquith announced that as Mr. Lloyd George's voice is not very strong yet, the Budget would be taken the week after next.

AUSTRALIA AND HOME RULE.

MELBOURNE, April 16th.

Notices of motion have been given in both the Federal Houses of Parliament in favour of Home Rule for Ireland.

A DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENT.

LONDON, April 16th.

Sir Lionel Carden, the British Minister to Mexico, has been appointed Minister to Brazil, but returns to Mexico temporarily.

YORKSHIRE MINERS TO RETURN TO WORK.

LONDON, April 16th.

A ballot of the Yorkshire miners resulted in a vote of 27,250 to 11,393 in favour of returning to work.

EAST AFRICA LOAN BILL.

LONDON, April 16th.

The East African Loan Bill has passed through the Committee stage.

ANTI-VACCINATION CONGRESS.

LONDON, April 16th.

The International Anti-Vaccination Congress has opened at Rome.

DISASTROUS CYCLONE IN MOZAMBIQUE.

LISBON, April 16th.

A cyclone has destroyed Port Amelie, Mozambique. Many natives, but no Europeans, perished. The Europeans are transferring to Ibo.

THE DERBY BETTING.

LONDON, April 16th.

The Derby betting is 5 to 2 against The Tetrarch and 7 to 1 against Kennymore.

The *Malay Mail* hears that Major-General Stephenson's successor to the command of the Straits Settlements garrison will be Major-General Reader, who has a distinguished record as a commander of the Royal Military College at Kingston, Canada, for four years. It is rumoured that Capt. M. F. Day, of the R.O.Y.L.I., will succeed Capt. D. Elliott, Cooper as Adjutant of the M.S.V.R. early next year.

["DER OSTASIATISCHER LLOYD" SERVICE.]

CHINA SERVICE.

THE CHANGLI AFFAIR.

JAPAN EXPRESSES REGRET AND PAYS COMPENSATION.

PERKING, April 16th.

The Changli affair (when Japanese soldiers attacked Chinese police, killing and wounding several) was settled yesterday. The Japanese Minister, Mr. Yamada, in the name of the Japanese Government, expressed his regret and handed over \$26,000 to be distributed among the relatives of the Chinese policemen who were killed.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE AND THE EUROPEAN CONCERT.

BERLIN, April 15th.

Commenting on the Conference of Premiers at Abbazia the *Wiener Fremdenblatt* says that both Austria and Italy should be thankful that they have succeeded in pressing home their views in the European Concert, due in some measure to the fact that Germany had stood by them unwaveringly.

UNFOUNDED RUMOURS.

BERLIN, April 15th.

There is no foundation for the rumours of meetings to take place at Bukharest and Budapest between H.M. the Kaiser on his return and T.M. King Carol of Roumania and the Emperor Franz Josef.

THE ORTHODOX RELIGION IN ALBANIA.

BERLIN, April 15th.

Russia has lately been emphasizing her interest in the protection of the Orthodox people in Albania.

GREECE AND THE EPIRUS.

BERLIN, April 15th.

The Greek Government is asking for a reduction in the demands made by the Epirotes.

BARON V. MUMM.

BERLIN, April 15th.

The renewed reports of the early return of H.E. Baron v. Mumm, ex-Ambassador to Tokyo, to active employment in the diplomatic service lack confirmation.

ALLEGED THEFT OF COPRA FROM A P. & O. "LIGHTER."

At the Magistracy yesterday the master of a P. & O. lighter and six other boatmen were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with the larceny of a number of bags of copra, valued at \$700, from a P. & O. lighter.

Mr. D. Lewis (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master) appeared for the P. & O. Company, and Mr. C. F. Mason defended the last three men. The Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, C.M.G., the Superintendent of the local office of the P. & O., was present in Court.

His Worship intimated that if the facts of the case warranted he would commit the defendants for trial at the Criminal Sessions. The case was remanded.

DISASTROUS BANGKOK FIRE.

TWO LARGE RICE MILLS GUTTED.

As the result of a serious conflagration two large Bangkok rice mills have been destroyed, the properties being known as the Kim Cheng and Tek Lee. The mills caught fire in a mysterious manner, and owing to unforeseen difficulties the brigade were late in arriving. When the firemen did arrive the two buildings were a mass of flame, and all that remained to be done was to prevent the flames spreading to adjoining properties. The official figures of the losses estimates that of the Kim Cheng property at Tcs. 250,000, and of the Tek Lee property at Tcs. 600,000. An adjoining building, the Low Bang Seng mill was damaged to the extent of Tcs. 20,000. The Kim Cheng mill is stated to have been insured up to the value of Tcs. 250,000. It was a very valuable property, and was built in 1892, of teak. At the time of the fire there were 300 covans of paddy in the mill, and about 240 bags of milled rice. The Tek Lee Mill was twenty-two years old and contained, when the fire occurred, about a thousand covans of paddy worth about Tcs. 80 a covan. The paddy, in addition to the property, was insured. One of the mills was re-insured at the end of last month and another, it is stated, was re-insured on April 1st.

"BETSY" AT THE THEATRE.

LAST NIGHT'S PERFORMANCE.

The performance of "Betsy" at the Theatre Royal last evening was given in just that bright and breezy manner which the author intended should be the spirit of the delightful three act comedy. Probably the title of "Betsy" may seem a rather thoughtless one when the very general character of the comedy is looked at, but as it is the piece itself which really counts this is a mere incident. The simple and very life-like story told by F. C. Burnand in "Betsy" is doubtless very well known to readers. Perhaps the introductory portion to the Birkett family with the adorable only son, who develops on very many lines despite his fond mothers nurse-like coddling is too commonplace and colourless, though very natural, but the many awkward and amusing situations which are created by the Birkett's boy (?), and his chums, in the second and concluding acts are thoroughly entertaining; with the love intrigues and strategic romances of adults who do not yet admit that they are old enough to know better. "Betsy" is a very well told story of happenings, awkward and otherwise, which might easily develop in families of the Birkett type; an over-fond mother, a father with a past, and who knows something in addition to "the House," and a strong healthy and only son who has been treated like a baby for many years, but who suddenly realises things and takes the obvious course.

The members of the cast have never previously performed in Hongkong, but it may be said at once that one and all fully realised their different parts, and though there may have been signs of amateur stiffness, it should be remembered that the production was entirely amateur. Without doubt the acting was most entertaining, and the audience could have found no difficulty in following a simple comedy which was so cleverly and lucidly dealt with.

As Mr. and Mrs. Birkett, and "Dolly" Birkett, the family around whom the comedy centres, Major Crisp, (R.A.M.C.), Mrs. Fitzwilliams, and Mr. Aston (D.C.L.I.) formed a most engaging trio on the lines indicated above. All three had quite a lot to do, and "Dolly" has only to introduce more abandon when he realises his freedom from babyhood to make his character complete. Lieut. Com. Cromie R.N. has a by no means easy task to imitate a questionable and impetuous sort of tutor who is the object of various outbursts both of serious family affairs, and matters which may become serious, but in his comely attire and all-suffering manner he was perhaps more entertaining than anyone. As Capt. McManus, a severe and sporty Irishman who deceives his wife, Capt. O'Hara also creates plenty of laughter, and as the victim of circumstances, Mrs. McManus (Mrs. O'Hara) makes him a very adaptable partner. Betsy is the trim housemaid who is keen on the main chance, endeavours, unlike most maids, to become acquainted with all that transpires in the Birkett family, and eventually brings things to a climax in a way she least expected, but which, under the circumstances, she thoroughly deserved. Mrs. Cromie undertook this exacting character, and though perhaps more "cheek" was necessary for a maid like Betsy, the acting was well-studied, and much appreciated. The remaining members of the cast, given below, filled the minor parts excellently, and the applause which greeted the company at the conclusion of the performance was richly deserved. Doubtless on account of the weather, the audience was not a large one last night, among those present being H.E. the Governor, Lady May, and Miss May.

The cast is as follows:—
Mr. Birkett Maj. Crisp, R.A.M.C.
Mrs. Birkett Mrs. Fitzwilliams
Betsy (The Maid) Mrs. Cromie
Adolphus Birkett Mr. Aston, D.C.L.I.
William (A Man Servant) Mr. N. Gordon Walker
Mr. Dawson (A Tutor) Lt. Com. Cromie, R.N.
Dick Talbot Lt. Thomas R.M.L.I.
Captain McManus Colonel O'Hara
Mrs. McManus Mrs. O'Hara
Mrs. Cromie Mrs. Truett
Madame Polenta Mrs. Thomas
Nellie Bassett Miss Baker Brown
Clara Peyton Mrs. Moxon Brown.

The performance will be repeated this evening, and to-morrow, and the proceeds are to be devoted to the Garrison Ladies' Help Society, The Hongkong Benevolent Association, The Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, and The European Y.M.C.A.

"Betsy" may be recalled, was produced by the Hongkong A.D.C. on February 27th and March 1st, 1892. Following is a copy of the cast on that occasion:—

CHARACTERS.
Dick Talbot Mr. L. Hallward.
Mr. Birkett Mr. C. J. Holliday.
Adolphus Birkett Mr. E. Osborne.
Capt. McManus Lt. Col. Muleshy.
Mr. Dawson (a Tutor) Mr. E. W. Mitchell.
William (a man-servant) Mr. S. L. Darby.
Haindreser Mr. Selby.
Mrs. Birkett Mrs. Barff.
Mrs. McManus Miss Robinson.
Madame Polenta Mrs. Gordon.
Clara Peyton Mrs. Robinson.
Nellie Bassett Miss Hazeland.
Betsy (the maid) Mrs. Brewitt.

CANTON NOTES.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

DELIMITATION OF THE MACAO BOUNDARY.

The question of the delimitation of the Macao Boundary has been under consideration between the Chinese and Portuguese Governments, but so far all negotiations have proved abortive. The matter was brought up again by the Portuguese Minister in Peking some time ago, when his Excellency requested the Board of Foreign Affairs to have it promptly settled. The Board considering the matter to be one which requires great care and consideration, has written to Civil Administrator Li requesting him to forward to the Board all correspondence and papers relating thereto. The Board also invites Mr. Li to state his views on the matter.

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY PASSENGER LAUNCH SERVICE.

It is now reported that a suitable wharf at the western end of the Bund has been secured by the company formed a few months ago for running a steam launch service between the Railway station and the West Bund. The launches will start running shortly and will stop at four or five intermediate places to take on passengers. Railway tickets will also be sold on board in order to give the passengers every convenience.

LOCAL ISSUE OF BANK NOTES.

In the port of Swatow, the native banks (which number about 30) have been issuing notes of their own, the individual totals ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000. The notes are in circulation locally and abroad, and in the event of any of the banks going bankrupt, the whole district of Chaochow will be seriously affected. As it is the intention of the Central Government to have a uniform issue of currency notes throughout the country, the notes issued by local banks are to be withdrawn from circulation. The Board of Finance has directed Mr. Im Ka Chee, the Commissioner of Finance, to make enquiries and furnish the Board with full details of such issues.

A GROUNDLESS RUMOUR.

During the last few days, numerous statements have appeared in the Press to the effect that the Civil Administrator contemplates abolishing the Commissioners of Interior Affairs, Finance, Education and Industries and that four new departments will be created in the Administration Office to discharge the functions. It is stated that in an interview with a high official yesterday, Civil Administrator Li mentioned that no such instructions had been received from the Central Government, nor had he any such intentions. Even if this were the Central Government's decision, the policy would have to be carried out by all the provinces and not by Kwangtung alone. This it would be seen there is no truth at all in the rumours.

CINEMATOGRAF AT THE THEATRE ROYAL.

THE STORY OF CAPTAIN SCOTT'S EXPEDITION.

The exhibition of a cinematograph film giving the "Undying story of Captain Scott" and pictures of animal life in the Antarctic is advertised to be given at the Theatre Royal on Monday and Tuesday next. The *N.C. Daily News* says:—"The record is a remarkable one, doubly interesting by reason of the historic tragedy of which it gives so many striking glimpses, and tells more graphically than pen may describe of tremendous difficulties and hardships met with courage and cheerfulness by men answering the call of the great southern wild. From a photographic point of view, the pictures are excellent, many of them of course being quite unique in subject, so that altogether the exhibition is one of unusual and often thrilling interest. The pictures were taken by Mr. H. G. Ponting, a member of the Royal Geographical Society, and they show the principal incidents and features of the journey from the departure of the *Terra Nova* from New Zealand up to the time when Captain Scott, Dr. Wilson, Lieut. Bowers, Capt. Oates, and Petty Officer Evans set off on the last stage of the journey, never to return."

The booking is at Moutrie's.

CHINA'S POSTAGE STAMPS.

In the course of a lecture delivered before the Shanghai Philatelic Society on "What and How to Collect" Mr. J. Menarini says:—

"I have lately taken up 'China,' in which I include the Chinese Government Post Office, the Foreign Post Offices in China, the local Post Offices in the Chinese Treaty Ports, Hongkong, Korea and Tsingtau. It may seem to many a small circle, but let me give you an idea of its vastness, when you specialize, taking into account all varieties in errors, shades of colour, difference in texture of papers, watermarks, perforations and a hundred little details which can only be found by minute observation. I have been able to place in my collection some 2,400 stamps of China proper, excluding the others above-named. This can give you an idea of the unlimited extent you can go to by specializing."

HAMBURG LETTER.

[SPECIALLY WRITTEN FOR THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

HAMBURG, March 26th.
THE N.D.L. REPORT.

The annual report of the Norddeutsche Lloyd which appeared last week states that the year under review has been an unusually profitable one, both the passenger and the goods traffic being the highest on record, making the chartering of extra tonnage to a considerable extent necessary. The gross earnings of the company amount to M. 80,948,261 or M. 9,100,000 more than in 1912, from which have to be deducted:—

Working expenses, taxes, etc. M. 5,909,750
Interests on debentures and loans M. 2,977,375
Reconstructions and repairs M. 4,256,540
Placed to insurance and insurance reserve funds M. 5,634,896
Placed to depreciation M. 24,124,255

Extraordinary depreciation on sea-going steamers M. 6,000,000
Leaving M. 16,271,985 available for distribution. It is proposed to allot M. 525,000 to reserve fund, M. 4,750,000 to renovation and M. 319,000 to dividend stamp account, and after setting aside M. 522,673 the statutory share of the directors and the board of administration, to distribute a dividend of 8 per cent. against 7 per cent. last year, and to carry forward the balance of M. 55,212 to new account. Although these figures would have justified the payment of a higher dividend, the directors have deemed it in the interest of the company not to go beyond 8 per cent. in view of the marked falling off in business since the beginning of the year, and the possible breaking up of the transatlantic and the general shipping pool. With regard to the latter eventually it is, however, hoped that, as the Norddeutsche Lloyd and the Hamburg America Line have come to an understanding, of which particulars are given, the delegates of the various steamship companies, German and foreign, that were to meet in Berlin in the middle of the present month, would be able to come to an agreement satisfactory to all parties concerned. Unfortunately, as we now know, the conference stands once more adjourned to May 1st, for although some of the minor difficulties have been settled no progress has been made with regard to the main points, and it is said here that Director Ballin has expressed himself rather pessimistically on the subject.

But to return to the report. The cabin passengers traffic has held its own in spite of the increased competition, whilst the number of emigrants embarked in Bremen has broken the record with 209,945, being about 4,000 more than in 1912, so far the greatest year. Trade with the United States outwards and home has likewise exceeded that of the previous year at, on an average, higher rates, the newly established service between Bremen and Boston and New Orleans amongst others having yielded very satisfactory results. As to the future, it may be confidently assumed that the new customs tariff which came into operation in October, 1912, will act as a further stimulus to the exchange of goods between the two countries.

With regard to the mail contracts with the Imperial Government, which lapse on September 30 next, the company has, in return for other more or less valuable concessions, consented to continue the service to the Far East without the subsidy hitherto received from the State for another five years, but will have to give up the main line to Australia, which has so far been worked at a serious loss and could only be carried on if the Government were to make a grant much beyond what can reasonably be expected. It is only for the purpose of keeping up the service with the German possessions in the South Sea that a moderate subsidy can be looked for, in consideration of which the company has acceded to the request of the Government to extend her Singapore-New Guinea Line to the Samoa Islands. The agreement with the Hamburg America Line excluding the company from participation in the cargo trade with the Far East being no longer in force, a fortnightly service between the Weser and the ports of China has been inaugurated, every alternate steamer calling at the port of Emden on its way out and home. As that port is included in the itinerary of several of the other lines of the company it has been found necessary to open a branch office there. Although the repeated outbreaks of the revolutionary movement in China has delayed the all important reform of the monetary system of the country, there is some improvement to be noted both in imports and exports, whilst the passenger traffic has likewise increased a little. Considering the rapid economic development of the country there is every reason to believe that the new service will prove a success. The company's training ship, the *Herzogin Cecilie*, left for the west coast of South America in July with 87 lads, of which 23 were in their first year; it is proposed to raise the number of admissions to 35 annually.

THE SOUTH AMERICA LINE.

The Hamburg South America Line has just declared a dividend of 14 per cent. The company was formed in 1871 after the Franco-German war by eleven of the leading firms of the city with a share capital of 31 million marks. They started with three steamers, to which five new ones had to be added two years later; in 1881 a further increase in tonnage became necessary and as the passenger traffic had grown considerably, faster boats were required. In 1896 the fleet numbered 20 vessels, and at present consists of 37 steamers and 150 auxiliary craft of altogether 352,111 tons. The share capital has been increased *pari-passu* and now amounts to 15 millions marks.

NATIONAL INSURANCE.

At a meeting of the Hamburg Council of the National Insurance for Employees it was stated that during the past year, the first of its being in operation, 143 million marks had been contributed by over 1,600,000 insured and their employers, say, 250 odd thousands, throughout the entire empire. 10,164 applications for medical aid had been received, of which 6,892 were granted, 1,448 refused and 785 withdrawn or cancelled by death. Of those granted 1,893 were for dental treatment, which is may be mentioned, is confined to cases where the general health of the sufferer is seriously endangered, 2,031 patients were sent to consumptive homes, 1,394 to sanatoria, 815 to spas and 178 to hospitals and clinics. In 511 cases contributions were made towards the cost of private treatment. 22 millions have been assigned for medical aid during the present year.

THE POSTAL CHEQUE SYSTEM.

The postal cheque system introduced a few years ago seems to have become very popular amongst small traders and retail dealers, and even government offices avail themselves of it. The advantage of it is that a person having opened a cheque account with the post office in the place he resides, any post office in Germany will receive payments for his account and transmit them for a trifling charge. This has been extended to Austria, Switzerland, Belgium and Luxemburg, where the same system is in operation, and latterly the Banca Commerciale Italiana of Milan has entered into an arrangement with the Swiss authorities in virtue of which it undertakes to receive payments made by any holder of a Swiss cheque account to the credit of a customer of the head office of the bank or of its numerous branch offices in Italy; should the payee have no account with the bank the sum will be handed to him in cash; *vice versa* the bank will remit to the Swiss post office amounts paid in to the credit of holders of cheque accounts in Switzerland. The number of postal cheque accounts in Germany at the close of last year was 86,400. A scheme for the issue of cheques payable at any post office in the country against sums deposited with an office, now under consideration by the authorities. It will be a great convenience to people travelling, as it will obviate the risk attending the carrying large sums on their persons. It is proposed to issue together with the cheque book a letter of credit and a certificate for the purpose of identification of the holder, somewhat on the lines of ordinary circular notes.

FIGHT WITH A TIGER.

As tiger stories are topical, many will doubtless read with interest the following extract from the *Times of India*:—

In the course of his official narrative report of the recent survey work in the Sunderbans Major F. C. Herst writes: "During the survey under report we lost four men through tigers, but I believe that this figure is smaller than the actual. The first man taken was a surveyor and his squad were at work. His prayers were supposed to keep off tigers, but either he did not pray efficiently or was unlucky. In another case a khalsasi was carried off from within a few feet of a surveyor's plane-table. The surveyor looked up and, regardless of the risk he ran, followed the tiger armed with nothing but a brass eight rule weighing perhaps two pounds. The tiger did not hurry and catching it up the surveyor attacked it without hesitation, beating it on the head with his weapon. Absolutely unharmed himself he forced the tiger to retreat and recovered the body of his companion, who, as might be expected, was already dead. The case was one of extreme pluck such as is seldom met with and the man received promotion as a reward for his gallantry. The man is still serving under me, or was last cold weather, and what can be done for him will be done in the future. In another case which did not end in loss of life a tiger swam out to a boat at night, obviously intending to board it, but after having some claws chopped off with an axe he retreated. As far as I could ascertain the man taken by the tigers were all attacked when landing or stopping down, which bears out an old theory that a tiger mistrusts a really upright person."

THE FAR EASTERN OLYMPICS.

The Chairman of the Far Eastern Olympics Club, Dr. Wu Ting-fang, has reported to the Premier that there is still a great deficit in the expenditure of the Club, notwithstanding the fact that President Yuan has already subscribed the sum of \$3,000. The Premier has instructed the various Ministries to subscribe \$200 each in aid of the expenses of the Club.

AMOY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

SUCCESSFUL SPRING SHOW.

Though the European population of Amoy is comparatively sparse, a floral society is being run on very successful lines, and the annual show of the organisation, which was held on the 8th inst., was satisfactory both from the point of view of the excellence of the exhibits and the number of competitors. The exhibition was arranged on the Recreation Ground, and in the Masonic Hall. Kulangsu, the Committee responsible for the success of the undertaking being Dr. J. W. Hartley and Messrs. T. C. Anderson, J. S. Fenwick, G. F. Haslam, W. Kruse and F. Leyte, the latter also acting as Hon. Secretary. The various judges, whose tasks were by no means envious on account of the good general quality of the exhibits, were Messrs. Howell, Strick, Tamplin, Mesdames Howell, Strick, Tamplin, Mesdames Howell, Strick, Tamplin, Mesdames Howell, Strick, Tamplin. Among the awards were the following:—

One rose.—1, Mr. Turner; 2, Mr. W. Kruse.
Distinct geraniums.—1 and 2, Dr. J. W. Hartley.
Double geranium.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Ivy leaf geranium.—1, Mr. Ferguson.
Scented leaf geranium, not in flower.—2, Dr. Hartley.
Pots of carnation.—1 and 2, Mr. F. Leyte.
Distinct cinerarias.—1, Mr. Leyte; 2, Mr. Thorne.
Specimen cineraria.—1, Mrs. Turner.
Pots of lobelia.—1, Mrs. Anderson.
Specimen azalea.—1, Mrs. Anderson.
Dianthus.—2, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct pansies.—1, Mr. Leyte; 2, Dr. Hartley.
Lilium grandiflorum.—1, Mr. Fenwick.
Verbenas.—1 and 2, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct phlox drummondii.—1, Mr. Little; 2, Mr. Haslam.
Stellate.—1, Mr. Haslam; 2, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct larkspur.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct petunia.—1 and 2, Dr. Hartley.
Shirley poppies.—1, Mr. Leyte; 2, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct long antirrhinum.—1 and 2, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct tall nasturtium.—1, Mr. T. C. Anderson.
Ditto, dwarf.—1, Mr. Anderson.
Specimen arum lily.—1, Mr. Leyte; 2, Dr. Hartley.
Fritscent chrysanthemum.—1 and 2, Dr. Hartley.

CUT FLOWERS.

One rose.—1, Mr. Little; 2, Mr. Merz.
One variety of white roses.—2, Mr. W. Kruse.
Pink roses.—2, Dr. Hartley.
Red roses.—1, Mr. Kruse.
Collection of roses.—1, Mr. Anderson.
Cactus dahlias.—1, Mr. Ferguson; 2, Dr. Hartley.
Collection of pansies.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct geraniums.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Distinct double geraniums.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Collection of distinct verbenas.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Stocks.—1, Mr. Kruse.
Short antirrhinums.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Collection of phlox drummondii blooms, distinct.—Special prize, Dr. Hartley.
Collection of sparaxis.—1 and 2, Mr. Kruse.
Collection of tritonas.—1 and 2, Mr. Anderson.
Collection of Spanish iris.—1, Mr. Kruse.
Collection of poppies.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Collection of distinct cannas.—1, Dr. Hartley.
Star of Bethlehem.—1 and 2, Mr. Kruse.
Collection of babianas.—1 and 2, Mr. Kruse.
Distinct gladioli.—1, Mr. Anderson.
Collection of distinct gladioli.—1, Mr. Anderson.
Dr. Hartley was highly commended for collections of cosmos, forget-me-nots, and primulas.

THE NEW P. & O. STEAMERS.

The steamship *Karnala*, the third of four steamers ordered from Messrs. Cammell, Laird, of Birkenhead, by the Peninsular & Oriental Steamship Company, was launched at Birkenhead on 14th ult., the naming ceremony being performed by Mrs. Ritchie, wife of the managing director. The *Karnala* is 480ft. long, and of about 9,000 tons gross. Accommodation is provided for about 150 first-class passengers, and special provision has been made for ventilation in hot climates. Lifeboats are provided for a full complement of crew and passengers.

She is the third steamer of the *Khina* type to take the water. The *Khina*, a Cammell, Laird ship, is now on her maiden voyage; the *Khyber*, now fitting out at Birkenhead, leaves for her final trip shortly; the *Karnala* has now been launched, and the *Kashmir* and *Kashmir* are being built at Greenock. In addition orders are in hand for one more of the same class to be built at Birkenhead. These six vessels are between 9,000 and 10,000 tons, with a horse-power of 9,000. The new ships will run in the intermediate direct Japan service, and will be much speedier than the *Borneo* class, which they replace.

Mr. Hitchens, chairman of Cammell, Laird & Co., who presided at the luncheon, said the *Karnala* was the third of four ships they were building to the order of the P. & O. Company. The first was delivered three months before her time; the second would be delivered two months ahead of her time; and he hoped the other two would also be ahead of the contract dates.

THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF THE P. & O. COMPANY.

It was recently rumoured in Ceylon that Sir Thomas Sutherland was likely to retire from the position he has held for so many years as Chairman of the P. & O. S. N. Co., and that he would be succeeded by Sir Walter Lawrence, Bart. The Colombo agent, however, has received a cable from the head office contradicting this rumour, and adding "Nothing could be further from the truth."

CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE.

PREMIER AND THE SLACKENING OF TRADE.

Mr. Asquith and the United States Ambassador were on March 11th the guests at the annual banquet of the Association of Chambers of Commerce, held at the Whitehall Rooms, London.

The Premier, replying to the toast of His Majesty's Ministers, said those who thought that politicians in this country were prepared to sacrifice either their principles or their honour for retention of office had very little knowledge of what office meant. He was speaking for each party and for British statesmanship as a whole when he said they had no desire to remain in possession of what were called ironically the "sweets of power," if they felt they had lost the confidence of their fellow countrymen. There were signs, he knew, of some slackening both in our trade and in the trade of the world, but he thought their experience would bear him out when he said that the enormous expansion which had gone on during recent years had been conducted upon the whole on broader and sounder lines than in other periods of elasticity. In consequence, there was little reason to anticipate, as far as they could judge, anything in the nature of a serious depression. For three years they had had continuously good employment. Since then there had been slackening, but against the benefits of a greater volume of employment and of higher wages they had to set a substantial rise in prices. It was satisfactory to know that during the first quarter of the present year the price of food, at any rate, had showed some reduction. They would be deceiving themselves if they did not admit that they had still to make their account for a very considerable amount of industrial unrest. He pleaded for a free interchange of opinions between employers and employees as holding out the best hope of industrial settlement.

INTIMATIONS

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

ON and after the 15th of May, until further Notice, the direct Steamers of the AUSTRIAN LLOYD will call, on their Homeward Trips, at DJIBOUTI instead of Aden.

The first Steamer to call at DJIBOUTI will be the "BOHEMIA" of 15th May.

SANDER, WIELER & Co.
Agents: Austrian Lloyd's S. N. Co.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1914. [565]

NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that there is a VACANCY for a NURSE in the Maternity Hospital attached to the Civil Hospital.

Applications must be in the Handwriting of the Candidates and accompanied by Certificates of Character.

All information may be obtained from the Matron of the Civil Hospital.

J. T. C. JOHNSON,
Principal Civil Medical Officer.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1914. [566]

FOR SALE

A WELL-TRAINED POINTER DOG.
Apply—Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1914. [567]

STOCKBROKERS' ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

IN Order to Facilitate Business the Public is hereby Notified that in future the Exchange on all local stocks will be settled by Members of the above Association three days prior to Hongkong Monthly Settlement Days.

The Settlement Days for 1914 are as follows—

TUESDAY 28th April.
THURSDAY 28th May.
THURSDAY 25th June.
TUESDAY 28th July.
THURSDAY 28th August.
MONDAY 28th September.
THURSDAY 28th October.
THURSDAY 28th November.
WEDNESDAY 23rd December.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1914. [568]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd day of April, 1914, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution—

"That the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company be respectively amended, altered, and amended so as to read as shown in the print signed for the purpose of amendment by the Chairman of this Meeting, and that such amendments, alterations, and amendments be adopted as the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company and to the exclusion of those heretofore prevailing."

A FURTHER EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 11th day of May, 1914, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the proceedings at the above-mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution, the above-mentioned Resolution.

Prints of the proposed amendments, alterations and amendments of the Memorandum and Articles of Association have been circulated to the shareholders, and a print thereof can be seen at the Head Office of the Company.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
C. PENBERTON,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1914. [569]

WILLIAM POWELL, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are reminded that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at 12 o'clock Noon, on SATURDAY, the 25th day of April, 1914, at 12, Des Vaux Road Central, Victoria, Hongkong, when the Company's Registered Office in Hongkong, when the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 4th day of April, 1914, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution—

"That the Capital of WILLIAM POWELL, LIMITED, be increased from \$100,000 to \$147,000 by the creation of 6,000 additional Ordinary Shares of \$1 each, ranking for dividend as from the 1st day of January, 1914, and in all other respects pari passu with the existing Ordinary Shares in the Company."

That the said 6,000 additional Shares be offered in the first instance at par to the members of the Company, in the proportion of Two New Shares for every Five Old Shares held by them respectively and upon the footing that the full amount of each New Share taken up shall be paid to the Company on the acceptance of the offer and such offer shall be made by Notice specifying the number of Shares to which the member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted by payment will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be empowered to dispose of the Shares not taken in response to such offer as they consider expedient in the interests of the Company."

F. T. CHAPPEL,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, the 15th day of April, 1914. [570]

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

THEATRE ROYAL.

APRIL 20th TO 25th.

THE CROWNING TRIUMPH OF THE ALL-CONQUERING CINEMATOPHON

THE UNDYING STORY

CAPT. SCOTT

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BOOKING AT MOUTRIE'S.

CIRCLE \$3
STALLS \$2
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Hongkong, 17th April, 1914. [571]

THE VICTORIA PRINTING PRESS LIMITED

(IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 181 of the Companies Ordinance (Hongkong) 1911 that a MEETING of the CREDITORS of VICTORIA PRINTING PRESS, LTD. (In Liquidation), will be held at No. 4, D'Almeida Street, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 28th day of April, 1914, at 4 o'clock p.m., for the purposes provided for in the said Section. Dated this 14th day of April 1914.

LEUNG WING CHEUNG,
Liquidator. [572]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on TUESDAY, the 28th April, 1914, at 4 o'clock p.m., in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, for the following purposes—

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1913.
- (2) To elect a new Committee.
- (3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary. [573]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a GENERAL MEETING of Members to be held on TUESDAY, the 28th April, 1914, at 4.30 p.m., in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, CITY HALL, the following Alterations in the By-Laws of the Chamber will be proposed and if carried by a majority of those present, and entitled to vote, will from date replace By-Laws VIII. and X. respectively—

IN SUBSTITUTION OF VIII.

If the dispute be of such a nature as to, in the opinion of the General Committee, require the service of the Arbitration Committee, each Member thereof shall be entitled to a Fee in addition to a Fee for the Chamber.

The amount of such Fees to be regulated by the importance of the case and the time occupied therein, subject to an appeal to the General Committee, whose decision on the amount shall be final.

IN SUBSTITUTION OF X.

The Arbitration Committee shall appoint its own Chairman and confine its functions to cases where its intervention or advice is required, and on no occasion shall it proceed with any case unless all the parties subscribe a Bond making the Award a Rule of the Supreme Court.

Printed forms of such Bonds legally prepared shall be kept for the information of Members and other Members of the Public who may have occasion to resort to the Chamber for Arbitration.

The parties to an Arbitration or Survey need not necessarily be Members of the Chamber, but in cases where neither party is a Member of the Chamber, the General Committee may decline to Arbitrate or hold a Survey.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary. [574]

THE ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the ASSOCIATION OF EXPORTERS AND DEALERS OF HONGKONG will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 29th April, 1914, at 4 o'clock p.m., in the Old Chamber of Commerce Room, City Hall, for the following purposes—

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1913.
- (2) To elect a new Committee.
- (3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary. [575]

INTIMATIONS

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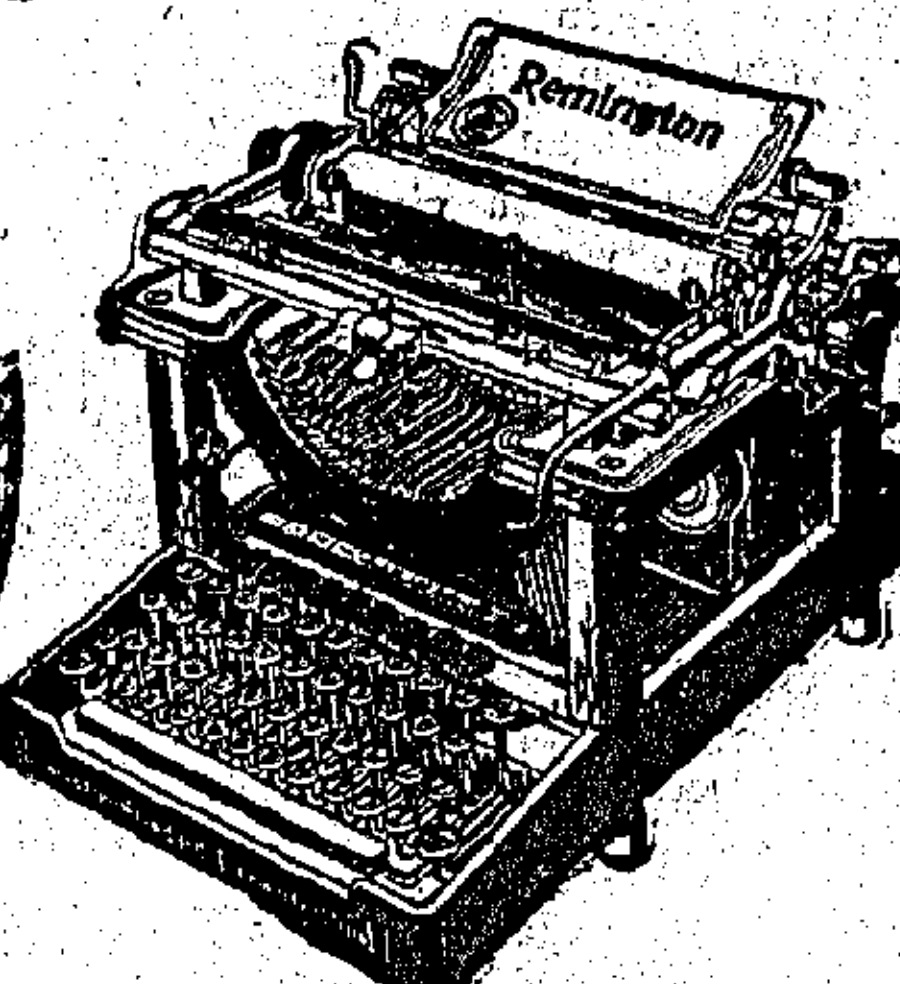
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Go to business keen and cool in Loose-Fitting B.V.D.

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THE EUROPEAN GOODS AND TRAVELLERS' LUGGAGE INSURANCE CO. Undertake the Insurance of Travellers' Luggage in Transit by Rail and Sea or during Storage in all Parts of the World.

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The simple way of Insuring, and the exceedingly cheap premium should appeal to all Travellers.

For further particulars and rates apply to the Agents.

SIEMSEN & CO. [422]

Hongkong, 17th March, 1914.

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

THE Members of the above CLUB will be "AT HOME" to Members of the KOWLOON CLUB and their Lady Friends TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), 18th April, at 3.30 p.m.

P. J. TAYLOR,
Hon. Secretary. [562]

Hongkong, 16th April, 1914.

NOTICE

NEITHER the Captain, Owners or Agents will be Responsible for any Debts Contracted by the Officers and/or Crew of the American Barque "JAMES TOTT" during her stay in this port.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1914. [531]

NOTICE

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. CHARLES ALEXANDER TOMES in our Firm CEASED on the 28th day of March, 1914.

Mr. LEOPOLD HALE GILMAN, Mr. HUGH FRANK CAMPBELL, and Mr. JESSE ASBTON YOUNG are authorized to Sign the Firm's name from this Date.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.
Hongkong, 9th April, 1914. [540]

WANTED TO SELL.

2,000 (or part thereof) SHARES in the INTERNATIONAL PETROLEUM Co. (\$10 nom.). Please write—

"PETROLEUM" Office
Care of "Daily Press" Office.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1914. [547]

AUCTION

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED), TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), MONDAY AND TUESDAY,

the 18th, 20th and 21st April, 1914, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Lee House Street.

A VERY VALUABLE COLLECTION OF CHINESE PORCELAINS, SCREENS, BRONZES, PRINTS AND ENGRAVINGS, SILK EMBROIDERIES, INCENSE BURNERS, SNUFF BOTTLES, JADESTONE ORNAMENTS, &c., &c.

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This valuable collection is direct from the North, and the vendor certifies to the genuineness of each individual lot, and is prepared to refund purchase money if not found as specified.

On View 17th instant.

Catalogues will be issued.

Terms—As Usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1914. [549]

TO THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.

MISS MORITA, CERTIFICATED MASSEUSE (with diploma in Physiology and Anatomy), will be pleased to give Massage, under medical supervision.

NOMURA HOTEL,
15, 16 and 17, Connaught Road.
Telephone No. 400.
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1913. [1388]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 17th April, 1914, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1913, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from the 7th to 17th April, 1914, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1914. [511]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, TO-DAY (FRIDAY), the 17th April, 1914, at 12.15 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1913, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 7th to 17th April, 1914, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. H. P. HAY,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1914. [512]

THE GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, St. George's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 21st day of April, at 11.30 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 11th day of April, to TUESDAY, the 21st day of April, 1914, both days inclusive.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1914. [521]

INTIMATIONS

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

SEVENTEENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 18th April, at 1 p.m., on the HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB Ground (kindly placed at the disposal of the Committee) at Happy Valley.

Admission to the Ground Stand and Enclosure (Gentlemen) \$1.00.
Members of the HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB, on presenting Membership Ticket—Free.
No person other than Officials and Competitors allowed within the Course.

By kind permission of Lt.-Colonel and Officers 25th Punjab the Band of the Regiment will play during the afternoon.

F. LAMBERT,
Hon. Secretary. [551]

Hongkong, 14th April, 1914.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the above Club will be held on SATURDAY, the 25th April, 1914, at 12.30 p.m., at the Office of the Hongkong Jockey Club on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1914. [548]

SIEN TING.

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Hongkong, 24th March, 1914. [442]

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Apply—THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1914. [546]

TO LET.

SHOP, No. 12, Queen's Road Central.

2, FAIRVIEW, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

Apply to—STEPHENS & WILLSON.
Hongkong, 11th December, 1913. [57]

TO LET.

FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES in Granville Avenue and Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon.

SHOP with GODOWN attached, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Kowloon Marine Lot No. 43, with Wharf.

WINDSOR LODGE, Kimberley Road, Kowloon, 6-ROOMS and Tennis Court.

No. 3, MINDEN VILLAS, from 1st April.

FLATS in Nathan Road and Humphreys Buildings, from 1st May.

Apply to—HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE Co., Ltd.
Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1914. [523]

ENTERTAINMENTS

THEATRE ROYAL.

TO-NIGHT!

AND

TO-MORROW NIGHT!

APRIL 17th AND 18th,

AT 9.15 P.M.

UNDER the Distinguished Patronage of H.E. THE GOVERNOR and LADY MAY, H.E. Vice-Admiral T. H. M. JERAM, C.B., and Mrs. JERAM, H.E. Major-General KELLY, C.B., and Mrs. KELLY, The Hon. Mr. CLAUD SAVERNY, Commodore and Mrs. ANSTUTTER.

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Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half-Price to 81 Seats.

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BOOKING AT MOUTRIE'S.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1914. [501]

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HOUSE, in OBSERVATORY VILLAS, Kowloon.

Apply to—ARRATTOON V. APCAR & Co., 14, Des Vaux Road.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1914. [424]

TO LET.

UNFURNISHED Self-contained FLAT containing Two Rooms on the Upper Level in good locality from the 1st of June.

Apply to—PERCY SMITH, SETH & FLEMING, 5, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 16th April, 1914. [561]

TO LET.

NO. 68, PEAK, MOUNT KELLETT (Church Mission Society Bungalow), 30th May, 1914. Partly Furnished. Cheap rent.

To let till 31st October, 1914, No. 6

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s
CHARTERED STEAMER

"ST. LEONARDS,"
Arrived Hongkong on 15th April, 1914.
From BOMBAY.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Godowns and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.

Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD and DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1914.

AMERICAN ASIATIC S.S. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"INDRANI,"
Captain N. P. Plicher, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on SATURDAY, the 18th inst., at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1914. 1562

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBROUGH, LONDON, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GLEN TURET,"
Captain F. T. Jones, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before TO-DAY, 5 P.M.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, 20th inst., at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th April, 1914. 1563

S.S. "PAUL LECAT"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London or Antwerp and from other ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON TO-DAY requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned. Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be sent in to me on or before the 19th inst. at Noon or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on the 16th inst., at 10 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

S. C. de BOUSSIERRE,
Agent.

Hongkong, 10th April, 1914. 12

ON SALE.

HONGKONG HANSARD REPORTS
of the MEETINGS of the
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL for the
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Hongkong, 24th February, 1914.

NERVOUS DISORDERS THROUGH
HEAT.

"Your stomach is only three-quarters of a stomach in the hot weather," once epigrammatically stated a distinguished officer in the army. This explains why people feel so run down and depressed just now. The digestion cannot supply the food demands of the nervous system; hence the body's nerve force is diminished. "The results of diminished nerve force," writes Dr. Claude L. Wheeler in "Nerve Energy in Hot Climates," "comprise headache, loss of sleep, indigestion, easily-induced fatigue, disinclination for bodily or mental exertion, loss of memory, and a lack of vigour in all physical functions."

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "HONGKONG MARU"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO VIA HONOLULU,
JAPAN PORTS AND SHANGHAI.

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersigning, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on the 17th inst. at Noon will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. No claim will be recognized after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on the 23rd inst. will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All chafed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or Godown, and examination of same to be held on the 27th inst., at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be filed on or before 30th April, otherwise they will not be recognized.

S. MORIMOTO,
Agent.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1914. 1564

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"BUELOW,"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON TO-DAY requesting it to be landed here.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd inst. at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 29th inst. or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & Co.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1914. 15

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Apsar str. Gregory Apsar left Calcutta on the 15th April, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd May.

The N.D.L. freight str. Norderny left Singapore on the 15th April, at 5 p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 22nd April, at 6 a.m.



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THE GOLFER'S PROGRESS.

NEW BOOM AT HOME AND ABROAD.

[BY A WANDERING PLAYER IN THE
"DAILY MAIL"]

Seventeen entirely new golf courses are being constructed in Great Britain, and I have also information of the commencement of over fifty others and of extensive structural improvements to an enormous number of courses in different parts of the country. As much of this information has reached me in a semi-private capacity, it is probable that it stands for only a small portion of the enormous extension of golf that is going on at the present time.

In the case of the new courses, not once does it appear that an expenditure of less than some hundreds of pounds is contemplated, while in several it is likely that the cost will run to many thousands. At a very rough estimate somewhere about a quarter of a million of money is being spent at present in making or improving golf courses in the country, apart from the purchase of land. These facts and scores of others like them indicate clearly that mid-winter prognostications that the 1914 season would see the golf boom advanced to the most remarkable super-boom that any game has ever known are already in process of fulfilment.

IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NORTH.

There are certain special features of this advance. One is a renaissance of golf in Scotland. Although it gave us the game and for many years had the best courses, the northern half of the kingdom for long past has been inferior to the southern, not merely in quantity but in the quality of its courses. Its weakness has been pointed out by the fact that the purchase of land. These facts and scores of others like them indicate clearly that mid-winter prognostications that the 1914 season would see the golf boom advanced to the most remarkable super-boom that any game has ever known are already in process of fulfilment.

One of the biggest firms of ball manufacturers tells me that nothing it can do now will enable it to meet the demand for its products for the coming season, so much is it in advance of last year's demand, and so much more than was expected.

The 6,000 yards' standard is not so well respected in Scotland as it is farther south, and even those who believe—myself among them—that the fancy architecture has been vastly overdone must realise that in a large proportion of cases Scottish courses are too plain.

At the present time not only are new courses and enlargements being made, but some of the older ones are being brought right up to the best championship standard. One of these, for a good example, is Montfith. There are dozens of places in Scotland which make little booms for themselves, as Montfith is likely to do, if they display the right form of enterprise. Recently there has been some sort of neglect of Scotland, in comparison with former years, for holiday golfing purposes, but it still has great advantages over any other country for this purpose if they are made the most of.

In North Wales also there is a determination to advance. Llandudno is going in for a municipal course, and extensive improvements are being made at several points on the coast. The plain fact, however, that should be realised by the people in this part of the country, who are so well served by railway communication, and who in recent years have been doing their utmost to attract the holiday public, is that their golf is of far lower quality than it should be. I have tried most of it, and I know.

The North Wales Golf Club at Llandudno is looked upon as having the best course, and it has a reputation spreading over a large part of the country. Golfers in large numbers flock to it from the Midlands every week-end in the summer. But the quality is not by any means good, the course is rough, and it would have a bad time if it were in the south of England. There is land on this coast that is capable of being made into first-class courses such as are needed. My mind the seaward part of the Rhyl course is better than anything else in these parts, and mid-north Wales must be careful that Anglesey does not in the near future snatch its golfing trade—a trade that is directly and indirectly worth some scores of thousands of pounds a year.

GERMAN ENTERPRISE.

But, after all, one of the most surprising features of the new extension of golf is the amazing rapidity with which it is progressing all over Europe and other parts of the world. I have just been making another golfing tour through the south of France, Italy, and other places, and some of the things seen were amazing. At Madrid they have now got their new 420,000 course completed, and they have applied a more remarkable system of water supply to it than I have seen at any other course in Europe, with the object of beating the very difficult Castilian climate.

There are now some eight or ten courses in Spain, and San Sebastian, whose beauty and completeness as a seaside holiday resort are magnificent, looks like having the first municipal course on the Continent. France, of course, is going over to the game heading and is having new courses made all over the country—not for British visitors but for the resident French.

The next big Continental golf boom will take place in Germany and Italy, and it is to be something of a race between them. Germany is going very strongly. Many private courses have been made in various parts of the country, and the German Golf Association has been established on a sound basis. It is the first of such associations in Europe to issue an annual handbook and directory of its own. Now the Berlin Golf Club is making a great bid for high European distinction. A new course on a very grand and thorough scale is being made at Klein Glienke, near Potsdam, and will be opened early next year.

EXTENSIONS AT HOME.

On the other hand, the golf course at Rome has just been raised from nine holes to eighteen, and very fine holes those eighteen are. When it was a nine-hole round, the course had the reputation awarded it originally by our open champion, J. H. Taylor, of being the best course of its size in existence. It hardly loses that reputation with its extension.

Recently I have played there much, and I say seriously that in some good features the course is unequalled among the inland courses of the world.

Every one of its eighteen holes is interesting to play, not one is the least artificial in appearance, and yet I believe I am right in saying that there is not a single artificial bunker on the whole course! Of what other inland course can the same be said?

They have come to the conclusion in Rome that extraordinary and numerous are the attractions to the visitor to the Eternal City, the best golf possible is absolutely necessary in its commercial interests. They say, and rightly, that ruins and relics of Caesar will bring the foreigners to Rome, but only golf will keep them there. Now the Rome club flourishes, a strong new advance movement has begun, and they believe in Rome that they are going to make their city the recognised headquarters of Continental golf in the winter time. They intend to challenge the Riviera, and they will do so with many advantages.

By the way, the community as Rome is the most cosmopolitan I have ever encountered, and at other places I have seen some varied mixtures of nationalities. A little while since the British, American, and German Ambassadors out on the links took shelter together in a stone cave at the back of the eleventh tee, and the influence of golf on international politics has naturally been a subject of conversation in Roman society ever since. The final match for the President's Cup recently won by an Englishman, Mr. C. L. Young, and a Roman, Count Pescini-Manzoni. The former, giving an appalling number of strokes, was the winner, but in a score of other ways the amazing progress of the game at the present time could be demonstrated.

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SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

ANNA, Norwegian str., 1,017, A. Arntzen 11th April—Bangkok 4th April, Rieo—Chinese.

CHILDAR, Norwegian str., 1,102, Neilson, 14th April—Bangkok and Swatow 15th April, General—Thoresen & Co.

CHOISING, German str., 1,021, J. Minkwitz, 10th April—Bangkok 3rd April, Rieo—Butterfield & Swire.

DAIO, MARU, Japanese str., 1,569, S. Tokushige, 15th April—Tamsui 12th April, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

FEICHING, Chinese str., 1,076, A. B. Baines, 12th April—Shanghai 9th April, General—Chinese.

FOOSHING, British str., 1,423, J. M. Hay, 14th April—Bangkok 8th April, Rieo—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HAIYAN, British str., 1,188, J. S. Roach, 15th April—Swatow 14th April, General—Douglas Lapraik & Co.

HOPANG, British str., 1,359, P. H. Rolfe, 13th April—Saigon 8th April, Rieo—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

JINSEN MARU, Japanese str., 2,347, T. Terada, 15th April—Bombay, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

KAREMA, British str., 3,362, J. H. Beare, 15th April—Shanghai 11th April, General—Dodwell & Co.

KORNER, Austrian str., 3,430, C. Zamara, 15th April—Shanghai 12th April, General—Sander, Wiles & Co.

KUTCHOW, British str., 1,220, Forsyth, 14th April—Canton 8th April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

M. S. DOLLAR, British str., 2,974, J. J. Gear, 12th April—Manila 9th April, General—Robert Dollar & Co.

NORD, British str., 1,274, Pape, 14th April—Manila 10th April, Ballast—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

PHRA NANG, British str., 1,022, C. S. G. Scott, 11th April—Saigon 7th April, Rieo—A. Bunc & Co.

PROMETHEUS, Norwegian str., 1,925, Y. Jensen, 9th April—Bangkok 2nd April, Rieo—Chinese str. 573, B. J. Sabine, RICKMERS, Dutch str. 15th April, Jagt, 14th April—Tamsui 15th April, Ballast—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

SORVERA, Norwegian str., 2,329, Einason, 14th April—Moj 6th April, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TAIYO MARU, Japanese str., 2,628, T. Fumoto, 13th April—Chefoo 8th April, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

TAIYO MARU, Japanese str., 2,168, K. Nagata, 14th April—Saigon 10th April, Coal—Chinese.

TALITHIVUS, British str., 6,522, H. L. Allen, 12th April—Vancouver 1st April, General—Butterfield & Swire.

TRIODAS, Dutch str., 4,500, E. M. Kroes, 10th April—Mikie 5th April, General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TRIMANOR, Dutch str., 3,621, La Rooy, 13th April—Mikie 7th April, General—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

TORILLA, British str., 3,189, C. J. Swanson, 13th April—Calcutta 27th March, General—David Sassoon & Co.

TSINANPU, Norwegian str., 1,460, W. Julinason, 9th April—Java 1st April, Sugar—Chinese.

UXE MARU, Japanese str., 2,714, S. Nakayama, 12th April—Moj 6th April, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

WINOSAGO, British str., 1,277, Lishman, 12th April—Shanghai 9th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

YONO MARU, Japanese str., 2,178, Yakata, 11th April—Hongay 8th April, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

YUENSANG, British str., 1,125, Robertson, 14th April—Manila 11th April, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Norwegian str. Haldis reports: Fine weather.

The British str. Chenan reports: Light winds and fine clear weather from port to port.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 16th at 11.10 a.m.—The northern depression now lies to the north-east of Hokkaido. Another depression has formed over S. Japan, and an anti-cyclone over China. A depression is forming over Indo-China.

Variable winds are indicated over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending 10 a.m. to-day, 0.24 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT.

Hongkong & Neighbourhood.

Forecast: East winds, moderate; cloudy; some rain.

Kowloon Channel.

Forecast: N.E. winds, strong.

South coast of China between (The same as Hongkong and Lamook.) No. 1.

South coast of China between (The same as Hongkong and Hainan.) No. 1.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 16th

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.00	29.97	29.91
Temperature	72	69	70
Humidity	73	96	95
Wind Direction	East	ESE	North
Force	3	7	0
Weather	0	3	0
Rain	0	0.34	0

Highest open air Temperature on 15th... 75

Lowest open air Temperature on 15th... 69

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From 17th to 23rd April, 1914.

		High Water	Low Water
Days of Month	Days of Month	H'kong. Mean Time	H'kong. Mean Time
Fri. 17	No info.	h. m. ft. n.	h. m. ft. n.
Satur. 18	No info.	1 41 a 6 2	10 34 a 1 6
Sun. 19	3 48 a 6 0	11 39 a 1 6	10 42 a 4 5
Mon. 20	5 15 a 5 8	0 04 a 1 7	0 44 a 4 0
Tues. 21	6 24 a 5 0	0 58 a 1 8	1 04 a 3 4
Wed. 22	7 16 a 5 9	1 29 a 1 9	1 41 a 2 8
Thurs. 23	8 18 a 5 6	1 59 a 2 0	2 23 a 2 3

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per Chenan, from Shanghai, Captain French, Messrs. E. Pannenborg, A. J. Scott, Cranston and Crowther.

Per Hongkong Maru, from Hongkong, from San Francisco, etc., Mrs. E. B. T. Bray, Mr. A. L. Becker, Mr. Dell Clark, Miss M. Duffy, Mr. A. Dumaresq, Master N. Horley and servant, Mrs. A. J. Jolley, Mr. Wm. McAdams, Mr. H. W. London, Mr. Ed. Leclair, Mr. and Mrs. A. Nesbit, Miss C. Nesbit, Miss A. G. Parsons, Mrs. J. K. Pike, Mr. L. E. Putnam, Mrs. E. E. Shellabear, Mr. M. Sals, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Taylor, Rev. and Mrs. O. B. Zimmerman, Miss A. Zimmerman, Mrs. M. Yarrowburgh, Miss G. Yarrowburgh, Mr. E. Hall, Mr. L. C. Hams, Mr. K. Cumming and Mr. M. Pearson.

DEPARTED.

Per Empress of Asia, for Shanghai, etc., Mr. E. Randolph, Mr. and Mrs. Broadbent, Mr. H. Baker, Mr. A. W. Lawrence, Rev. F. Lignout,

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Return " (available also for return by day steamer)	10.00
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HONGKONG TO CANTON. CANTON TO HONGKONG.

FRIDAY, 17TH APRIL, 1914.	
8 a.m. HEUNGSHAN.	8 a.m. HONAM.
10 p.m. KINSHAN.	5 p.m. FATSHAN.

SATURDAY, 18TH APRIL, 1914.	
8 a.m. HONAM.	8 a.m. HEUNGSHAN.
10 p.m. HEUNGSHAN.	5 p.m. KINSHAN.

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OUTWARD

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
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FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	ATLANTIQUE	On 21st April, at 1 p.m.

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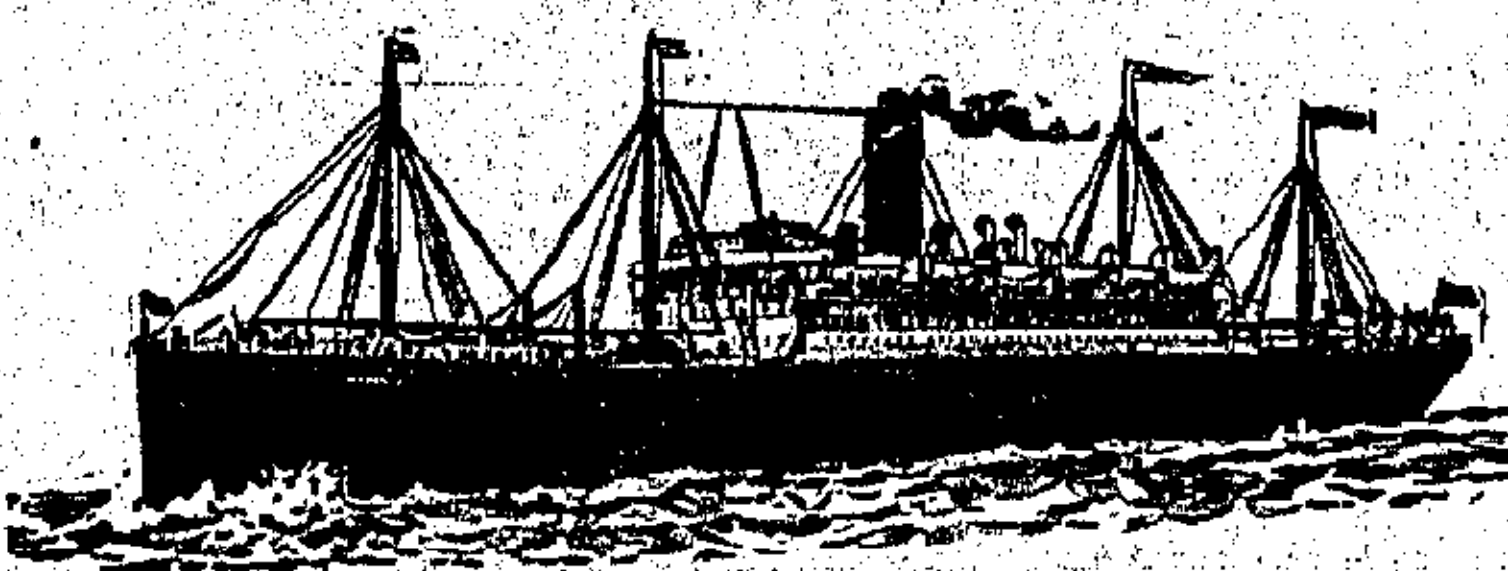
STEAMSHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
RUBI	4000	J. Miller	Manila, Mangarin, Cebu and Iloilo	On 22nd Apr., 4 p.m.
ZAFIRO	4000	F. B. McMurray	Manila, Mangarin, Cebu and Iloilo	On 2nd May, 4 p.m.

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PERSIA	9,000	TUESDAY, 28th Apr., at Noon.
KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY, 9th May, at 1 p.m.
SIBERIA	18,000	TUESDAY, 19th May, at 1 p.m.
CHINA	10,200	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, at Noon.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 6th June, at 1 p.m.
NILE	11,000	TUESDAY, 16th June, at 10 a.m.
MONGOLIA	27,000	FRIDAY, 26th June, at 1 p.m.

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27th May ... CHINA	29th May.	30th Apr. ... KOREA	2nd May.
16th June ... NILE	18th June.	5th May ... SIBERIA	7th May.
11th July ... PERSIA	13th July.	16th May ... CHINA	18th May.

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"CANADA MARU"	H. Yamamoto	WEDNESDAY, 29th April, at Noon.
"TACOMA MARU"	T. Hamada	THURSDAY, 14th May, at Noon.
"PANAMA MARU"	J. Kameo	WEDNESDAY, 27th May, at Noon.
"SEATTLE MARU"	T. Saito	THURSDAY, 11th June, at Noon.
"MEXICO MARU"	N. Kobayashi	WEDNESDAY, 24th June, at Noon.
"CHICAGO MARU"	I. Goto	

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Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"ANNAN MARU"	T. Takemura	FRIDAY, 24th April, A.M.
"INDO MARU"	K. Koriya	FRIDAY, 8th May, A.M.
"SAIGON MARU"	T. Yamaguchi	

CHINA AND FORMOSA LINE.

FOR FOOCHEW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"KAISO MARU"	Y. Yamamoto	WEDNESDAY, 22nd April, at 2 p.m.

FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"DAIGI MARU"	S. Tokunaga	SUNDAY, 19th April, at Noon.
"DAIJIN MARU"	K. Murakami	SUNDAY, 26th April, at Noon.

FOR ANPING AND TAKAO VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"SOSHU MARU"	K. Hattori	WEDNESDAY, 29th April, at 10 a.m.

FOR CANTON.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
"SOSHU MARU"	K. Hattori	FRIDAY, 24th April.

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MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	KASHIMA MARU Capt. M. Yagi, 20,000	20,000	WEDNESDAY, 22nd Apr., at 10 a.m.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA	MISHIMA MARU Capt. F. L. Sommer, 20,000	20,000	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, at 10 a.m.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	SHIDZUOKA MARU Capt. Iizawa, 12,500	12,500	TUESDAY, 1st Apr., at Noon.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON	TAMBA MARU Capt. —, 12,500	12,500	TUESDAY, 5th May, at Noon.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	MIKKO MARU Capt. W. Takeda, 9,600	9,600	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, at Noon.
MOJI and KOBE	KUMANO MARU Capt. K. Soyeda, 9,300	9,300	WEDNESDAY, 3rd June, at Noon.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TOSA MARU Capt. Yoshikawa, 12,500	12,500	SATURDAY, 18th April.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	INABA MARU Capt. Shinohara, 12,500	12,500	SUNDAY, 24th April.
KOBE and YOKOHAMA	JINSEN MARU Capt. Teraoka, 5,000	5,000	WEDNESDAY, 2nd April.
	CEYLON MARU Capt. Naguchi, 12,000	12,000	WEDNESDAY, 2nd April.
	KUMANO MARU Capt. K. Soyeda, 9,300	9,300	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, at 11 a.m.
	ATSUTA MARU Capt. Kon, 16,000	16,000	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Apr., at 11 a.m.

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STEAMER	TONS	SAILS	WEDNESDAY	22nd April
KASHIMA MARU	20,000	"	"	6th May.
MISHIMA	20,000	"	"	"
STEAMER	TONS	SAILS	TUESDAY	21st April
SHIDZUOKA MARU	12,500	"	"	5th May.
TAMBA	12,500	"	"	"

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Connecting Steamer	Steamers to	Leave	Leave	Connecting Steamer	Due at	Due at
"ORIENTAL" leaves YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO.	SHANGHAI	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES and LONDON	MARSEILLES	PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
p.m. Thurs.		6 p.m. Tues.	Noon. Sat.			
Apr. 16	DELTA	Apr. 21	Apr. 25	MALWA	May 22	Thursday
Apr. 30	ASSAYE	May 5	May 9	MOOLTAN	May 5	May 28
May 14	INDIA	May 19	May 23	MOREA	June 20	June 11
May 28	DEVANHA	June 2	June 6	MAJOJA	July 4	July 19
June 11	DELTA	June 16	June 20	MARMORA	July 18	July 24
June 25	HIMALAYA	June 30	July 4	MOLDAVIA	Aug. 1	Aug. 7
July 9	ASSAYE	July 14	July 18	MEDINA	Aug. 15	Aug. 21
July 23	DEVANHA	July 28	Aug. 1	MONGOLIA	Aug. 29	Sept. 4
Aug. 6	CHINA	Aug. 11	Aug. 15	EGYPT	Sept. 12	Sept. 18

THE ATTENTION of Passengers is drawn to the ACCELERATED ARRIVAL of the Mail Steamers at Marseilles, Plymouth and London. These vessels will now arrive in Marseilles on Friday, and London on the following Friday. Arrangements are also being made whereby passengers by the P. & O. Special Train from Marseilles can now arrive in London at 3.25 p.m. on Saturdays.

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FARES:

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1st Saloon	"A"	Accommodation Single	£65.	Return	£97.
2nd Saloon	"B"	"	£59.	"	£89.
	"A"	"	£64.	"	£96.
	"B"	"	£60.	"	£90.
1st Saloon	"A"	Accommodation Single	£61.	Return	£91.
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	"A"	"	£62.	"	£93.
	"B"	"	£58.	"	£87.

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STEAMERS.	Leave Y'HAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave H'KONG	Leave S'PORE	Due at M'SILLES	Due at LONDON
	about	about	about	about	about	about
NUBIA	Apr. 14	Apr. 25	Apr. 29	May 15	June 2	June 12
NAMUR	Apr. 28	May 7	May 13	May 19	June 16	June 25
NOVARA	May 26	June 4	June 10	June 36	July 14	July 24
NELLORE	June 9	June 18	June 24	June 10	July 28	Aug. 7
*KEYBER	June 23	July 2	July 8	July 24	Aug. 11	Aug. 21
*GAGOYA	July 7	July 16	July 22	July 18	Aug. 26	Sept. 6
SYRIA	July 21	July 30	Aug. 5	Aug. 21	Sept. 3	Sept. 20
NILE	Aug. 4	Aug. 13	Aug. 19	Aug. 5	Sept. 23	Oct. 3

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FOR	STEAMERS	TONS	TO SAIL
MANILA, ANGAUR, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE ...	"PRINZ SIGISMUND" Capt. A. HURTIG.	6,000	{ Saturday, 18th Apr. at 9 A.M.
KOBE... ..	"PRINZ WALDEMAR." Capt. O. JURANT.	6,000	{ About Tuesday 20th Apr.
JESSELTON, KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" Capt. J. KOHLER.	5,000	{ Monday, 11th May, at 9 A.M.

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Steamship	about	FOR MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM AND BREMEN/HAMBURG: S.S. "SIGMARINGEN" ... about 16th May.
NORDERNEY"	April.	FOR HAVRE, EMDEN AND HAMBURG/BREMER S.S. "NORDERNEY" ... about 1st June.
HELGOLAND"	27th April.	FOR MARSEILLES, ROTTERDAM AND BREMER HAMBURG: S.S. "HELGOLAND" about Middle of June.
BORKUM"	11th May.	FOR HAVRE, EMDEN AND HAMBURG/BREMER S.S. "BORKUM" about End of June.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1914.

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TJIBODAS...	JAPAN	First half of April.	JAVA	First half of April.
TJIMAHI ...	—	—	JAVA	First half of April.
TJIMANOEK	SHANGHAI	First half of April.	JAVA	First half of April.
TJILATJAP.	JAPAN	Second half of April.	JAVA	Second half of April.
TJILIWONG	JAVA	Second half of April.	SHANGHAI	Second half of April.
TJITAROEM	JAVA	Second half of April.	JAVA	First half of May.
TJIKINI ...	JAVA	First half of May.	JAPAN	First half of May.
TJIPANAS...	JAVA	Second half of May.	SHANGHAI	Second half of May.

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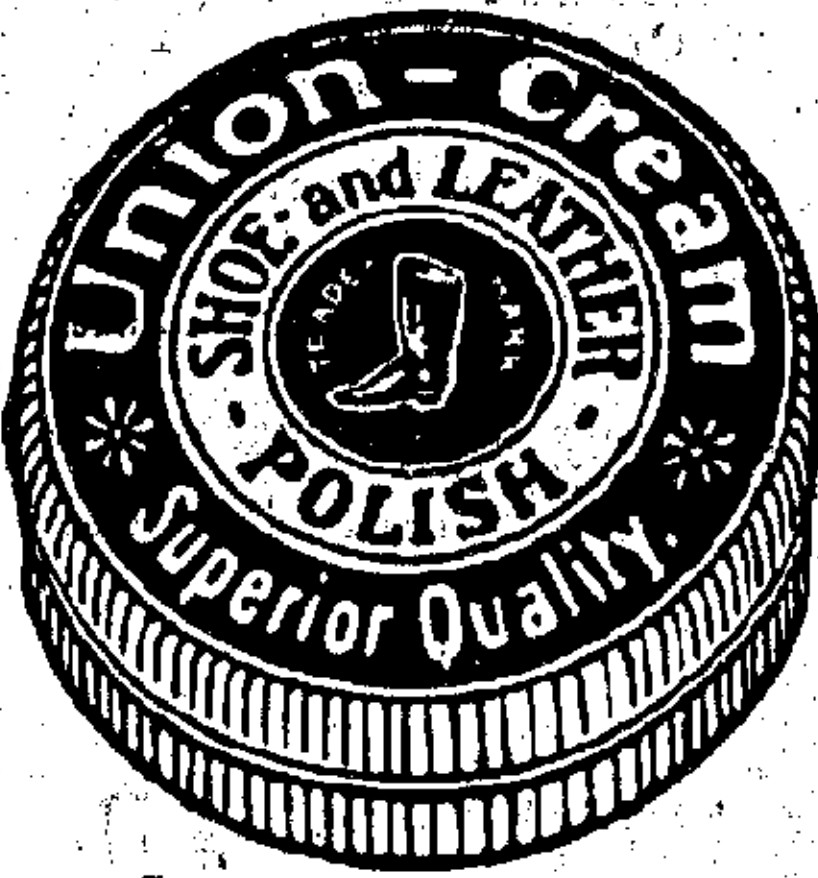
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POST OFFICE NOTICE.

The *Liangchow*, with the MAIL FROM LONDON (via Siberia) of Saturday, the 28th inst., is due to arrive here to-day.

The *Germania*, with the AMERICAN MAIL, ex *Perla*, is due to arrive here on Monday, the 20th inst.

Chinese Registered Correspondence will not be delivered on a signature only. The Clerk of a firm of standing will in each case be required in addition. The Postmen have instructions not to part with any registered article until the above regulation has been complied with.

FOR	PER	DATE
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	<i>Raitan</i>	Friday, 17th, 10.00 A.M.
Straits and India via Calcutta	<i>Arcton</i>	Friday, 17th, NOON
Batavia, Samarang and Soerabaya	<i>Timahi</i>	Friday, 17th, 1.00 P.M.
*Shanghai and *North China	<i>Cathay</i>	Friday, 17th, 2.00 P.M.
*Shanghai, *North China & *Japan via *Kobe	<i>Torilla</i>	Friday, 17th, 5.00 P.M.
PHILIPPINE IS., YAP, MARONN, FRIEDRICH WILHELM SHA-FEN, RABAU, HERBERTS, HOHE MATU, SAMARAI, AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA AND NEW ZEALAND via DUBLIN	<i>Prins Sigismund</i>	Saturday, 18th, 8.00 A.M.
Holchow and Bangkok	<i>Childer</i>	Saturday, 18th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow and Bangkok	<i>Chocho</i>	Saturday, 18th, 11.00 A.M.
Manzanillo and Guaymas (Mexico)	<i>Mexico City</i>	Saturday, 18th, 3.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA AND TIENTSIN	<i>Chenan</i>	Saturday, 18th, 5.00 P.M.
(EUROPE via SIBERIA)		
[To make connection with the Tientsin train leaving Shanghai on Thursday, the 23rd inst., at 8 p.m.]		
*Swatow, *Shanghai and *North China	<i>Wingang</i>	Saturday, 18th, 5.00 P.M.
*Swatow, *Wohaiwei, *Chefoo and *Tientsin	<i>Kueichow</i>	Saturday, 18th, 5.00 P.M.
*Swatow	<i>Haiman</i>	Sunday, 19th, 9.00 A.M.
*Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Tamsui	<i>Dun Maru</i>	Sunday, 19th, 9.00 A.M.
*Japan via Yokohama	<i>Huagang</i>	Monday, 20th, 11.00 A.M.
*Shanghai, North China, *Japan via *Mojik	<i>Shidzuoka Maru</i>	Monday, 20th, 5.00 P.M.
*Victoria and *Seattle		
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	<i>Haiyang</i>	Tuesday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.

SAIGON, STRAITS, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADE, EGYPT AND EUROPE via BRINDISI (Late Letters 11 to NOON, Extra postage 10 cents.)

(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

Straits and India via Calcutta	<i>Hoptang</i>	Tuesday, 21st, 1.00 P.M.
Philippine Islands	<i>Taming</i>	Tuesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
*Shanghai and *North China	<i>Liangchow</i>	Tuesday, 21st, 3.00 P.M.
*Shanghai and *North China	<i>Huagang</i>	Tuesday, 21st, 5.00 P.M.
Straits and Colombo	<i>Kashima Maru</i>	Wednesday, 22nd, 9.00 A.M.
Pakhoi and Haiphong	<i>Sunghang</i>	Wednesday, 22nd, 9.00 A.M.
Japan via Kobe	<i>Asaka Maru</i>	Wednesday, 22nd, 10.00 A.M.
*Wohaiwei, *Tientsin, and *Tientsin	<i>Chipsing</i>	Wednesday, 22nd, 11.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands	<i>Baki</i>	Wednesday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
Straits and India via Calcutta	<i>Onang</i>	Thursday, 23rd, 1.00 P.M.
*Shanghai and *North China	<i>Luchow</i>	Thursday, 23rd, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	<i>Haiching</i>	Friday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, JAPAN via NAGASAKI, HONOLULU, UNITED STATES, SOUTH AMERICA and CANADA via SAN FRANCISCO	<i>Hongkong Maru</i>	Saturday, 25th, 5.00 P.M. on Friday, the 24th inst. Letters 9.00 A.M.
STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADE, EGYPT, and EUROPE via BRINDISI (Late Letters 11.00 to NOON, Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail, Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday, the 24th inst., at 5 p.m.		
Philippine Islands	<i>Loongang</i>	Saturday, 25th, 1.00 P.M.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, STRAITS, BURMAH, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADE, EGYPT and EUROPE via NAPLES	<i>Princess Alice</i>	Tuesday, 28th, 8.30 A.M. Registration, 8.30 A.M. Letters 9.00 A.M.

* Specially superscribed correspondence only.

COMMERCIAL

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON:	April 16th.
Telegraphic Transfer	111 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	111 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	111 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	111 1/2
ON PARIS:	
Bank Bills, on demand	244 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight	244 1/2
ON GERMANY:	
On demand	198 1/2
ON NEW YORK:	
Bank Bills, on demand	47 1/2
Credits, at 60 days' sight	48 1/2
ON BOMBAY:	
Telegraphic Transfer	144 1/2
Bank, on demand	145
ON CALCUTTA:	
Telegraphic Transfer	144 1/2
Bank, on demand	145
ON SHANGHAI:	
Bank, at sight	74
Private, 30 days' sight	74 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA:	
On demand	95
ON MANILA:	
On demand	95 1/2
ON SINGAPORE:	
On demand	95 1/2
ON BATAVIA:	
On demand	117 1/2
ON RATTUM:	
On demand	58 1/2 p.m.
ON SAIGON:	
On demand	58 1/2
ON BANGKOK:	
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MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

London	Due	Russia	Due
March 25th.		April 11th.	
March 26th.		April 13th.	

SHARE LIST-QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, 16th APRIL, 1914.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.	RETURN ON BASIS OF LAST DIV'D.
BANKS.					
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$810, sales 11/400 \$82	5 1/2 p.c.
China Bank Corporation, Limited	60,000	\$12	all	\$103, x div. buy.	8 1/2 p.c.
China Light and Power Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$5	all	\$4.10, sellers	
China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	all	\$3, sellers	7 1/2 p.c.
COTTON MILLS.					
Two Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls 50	all	Tls 132	
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	\$3, sellers	5 p.c.
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	\$37, buyers	
DOCKS AND WHARVES.					
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$85, sellers	5 p.c.
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$70, sellers	3 p.c.
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$65	all	\$7, buyers	7 1/2 p.c.
Shanghai and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls 100	all	Tls 94	
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	36,000	Tls 100	all	\$6 1/2	
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	40,000	\$10	all	\$40, sales	4 p.c.
Hongkong Hotel Company Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$125	5 p.c.
Manila Metropole Hotel, Limited	15,000	Pa. 10	all	\$28, sellers	
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$155, buyers	5 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$10	all	\$21, buyers	9 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong & South China Steam Fishery Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$5	all	\$10	
Hongkong Steel Foundry Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$16	
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ltd.	325,000	5/1	all	8/6, sellers	
INSURANCE.					
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	all	\$330, sellers	6 p.c.
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$200	all	\$245	6 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.	8,000	\$80	all	\$368	7 1/2 p.c.
North China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	all	Tls 145	
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$250	all	\$845, sellers	6 1/2 p.c.
Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd.	12,000	\$107	all	\$210 @ Ex 73	
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.					
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$112, sellers	6 1/2 p.c.
Hongkong Land Reclamation Co., Ltd.	25,000	\$100	all	\$75	
Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$3, sellers	5 1/2 p.c.
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	all	\$34	7 p.c.
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	78,000	Tls 50	all	Tls 89, buyers	
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$65	5 1/2 p.c.
Maatschappij tot Exploitatie van Landbouwgronden in Langkat	250,000	Gds 10	all	Tls 43, buyers	
MINEING.					
China Engine and M. Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	\$1	all	38/-	
Heawood Tin and Rubber Estate, Ltd.	373,000	\$1	all	2/6	
Ramb Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$3.10, buyers	
Tromps Mines, Limited	160,000	\$1	all	37/-, sellers	
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$10 1/2	7 1/2 p.c.
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10 1/2	all	\$0.93, sellers	
Pulperies et Papeteries du Tonkin Societe des	75,000	\$10	all	\$5	
RAPRIERIES.					
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$82, buyers	3 p.c.
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$23, sellers	
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.					
China and Manille Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	all	\$3, buyers	5 p.c.
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$35, sellers	
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	20,000	\$15	all	\$28, sellers	7 1/2 p.c.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 prof.	\$25	all	\$69 1/2, 10s.	6 p.c.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	2,500,000	\$1	all	\$155, buyers	3 1/2 p.c.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	40,000	\$10	all	\$48, sellers	
South China Morning Post, Limited	5,000	\$25	all	\$20	
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	all	\$4, buyers	
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.					
Powell, Wm., Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$8, sal. & buy.	4 p.c.
Watson & Co., A. S., Limited	90,000	\$10	all	\$20, sellers	5 1/2 p.c.
Union Watercast Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$20, sellers	

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TO-DAY

Noon—Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders.
12.15 p.m.—China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders.

TO-NIGHT

9.15 p.m.—"Betsy," by F. C. Burnand at the Theatre Royal.

TO-MORROW

1 p.m.—Victoria Recreation Club Sports at the Club Ground, Happy Valley.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Collection of Porcelains, &c., at Sales Rooms, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough.

9.15 p.m.—"Betsy," by F. C. Burnand at the Theatre Royal.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Monday, 20th April—
11 a.m.—Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Collection of Porcelains, &c., at Sales Rooms, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough.

Tuesday, 21st April—
11 a.m.—Green Island Cement Co., Ltd. Meeting of Shareholders.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Collection of Porcelains, &c., at Sales Rooms, by Messrs. Hughes & Hough.

Thursday, 23rd April—
Noon—China Fire Insurance Co., Ltd. Extraordinary General Meeting.

Saturday, 25th April—
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